GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND RURAL AND AGRO INDUSTR
LOK SABHA

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POLICY ON SSI
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Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND RURAL AND AGRO INDUSTR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to formulate a policy for small sale sector and set up a special cell to provide small scale industries units alongwith the latest data and policy information;

(b) if so, whether the Government are aware about the problems of small scale industries units;

(c) if so, the time by which the Government is likely to announce the policy for small scale industries;

(d) the extent to which the policy is likely to help the small scale industries?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGF RURAL INDUSTRIES

(SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a) Policy measures already exist for promoting and strengthening Small, Tiny and Village Enterprises, which were announced by the Government on 6th August, 1991. The Government continues to lay emphasis on meeting the concerns of the small & tiny sectors including in respect of providing the latest data and policy information.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(d) Promotion of Small Scale Industries and Tiny Sectors has been one of the conscious policies of the Government.A large number of schemes are being implemented for their promotion, these include technology upgradation, market development, Entrepreneurship development, infrastructure development and creation of I.T. infrastructure. SSI credit comes under the priority sector lending of the banks. 60% of the priority sector credit going to SSI sector is reserved for tiny units.The implementation of policies and programmes has helped strengthen small scale sector in the country as is evident from the constant increase in the number of SSI units, their production, export and employment every year.